

Amendment to the claims

1. (Previously Presented) A slot machine comprising:
a processor;
a first display coupled to the processor and operable to display a non-linear outcome, the non-linear outcome including a set of reel positions that are disposed along a line that is not straight;
a second display coupled to the processor and operable to display a representation of the non-linear outcome as a linear outcome, such that the set of reel positions is each displayed disposed along a straight line without crossing any other displayed line of reel positions.
- 2 – 3 (Canceled)
4. (Previously Presented) A slot machine comprising:
a processor;
a first display coupled to the processor and operable to display a non-linear outcome, the non-linear outcome including a set of reel positions disposed along a payline that is not linear, each reel position including at least one symbol; and
a second display coupled to the processor and operable to display a representation of the non-linear outcome as a linear outcome, wherein the linear outcome is displayed as a set of symbols disposed along a linear payline,
wherein the set of symbols of the linear outcome includes at least one symbol from the set of reel positions of the non-linear outcome, and
wherein the representation of the linear outcome is displayed without the payline of any set of symbols crossing any other payline of another set of symbols of any other displayed outcome.
5. (Canceled)
6. (Previously Presented) The slot machine of claim 4 wherein, the first display displays a plurality of outcomes, one of which outcomes is the non-linear outcome, and the second display further displays an indication of which outcomes are winning outcomes.

7. (Previously Presented) The slot machine of claim 4, wherein the first display displays a plurality of outcomes, one of which outcomes comprises the non-linear outcome, and wherein the second display further displays an indication of which outcomes are non-winning outcomes.

8. (Previously Presented) The slot machine of claim 4, wherein the first display displays a plurality of outcomes, one of which outcomes comprises the non-linear outcome, and wherein the second display further displays an indication of outcomes upon which a wager was placed.

9. (Previously Presented) The slot machine of claim 4, wherein the first display displays a plurality of outcomes, one of which outcomes comprises the non-linear outcome, and wherein the second display further displays an indication of a payout amount per each outcome that would have been won had a wager been placed upon each outcome.

10. (Previously Presented) The slot machine of claim 4, wherein the first display displays a plurality of outcomes, one of which outcomes comprises the non-linear outcome, and wherein the second display only displays winning outcomes.

11. (Previously Presented) The slot machine of claim 4, wherein the first display displays a plurality of outcomes, one of which outcomes comprises the non-linear outcome, and wherein the second display displays winning outcomes separately from non-winning outcomes.

12. (Previously Presented) A method comprising:
displaying on a first display a non-linear outcome that is disposed along a line that is not straight, the non-linear outcome including a set of reel positions;
displaying on a second display a representation of the non-linear outcome as a linear outcome, wherein the linear outcome comprises the set of reel positions displayed disposed along a straight line without crossing any other displayed line of reel positions.

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15. (Previously Presented) A method comprising:

displaying on a first display a non-linear outcome, the non-linear outcome including a set of reel positions disposed along a non-linear payline, each reel position including at least one symbol, wherein the non-linear outcome is displayed in a manner such that the non-linear payline along which it is disposed crosses at least one other payline; and

displaying on a second display a representation of the non-linear outcome as a linear outcome, wherein the non-linear outcome that is displayed as a linear outcome is displayed as a set of symbols along a linear payline,

wherein the set of symbols of the linear outcome includes at least one symbol from the set of reel positions of the non-linear outcome, and

wherein the representation of the linear outcome is displayed without the payline thereof crossing any other payline of another set of symbols of any other displayed outcome.

16. (Canceled)

17. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 15, wherein the first display displays a plurality of outcomes, one of which outcomes is the non-linear outcome, and further including displaying an indication of which outcomes are winning outcomes.

18. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 15, wherein the first display displays a plurality of outcomes, one of which outcomes is the non-linear outcome, and further including displaying an indication of which outcomes are non-winning outcomes.

19. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 15, wherein the first display displays a plurality of outcomes, one of which outcomes is the non-linear outcome, and further including displaying an indication of outcomes upon which a wager was placed.

20. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 15, wherein the first display displays a plurality of outcomes, one of which outcomes is the non-linear outcome, and further including displaying an indication of a payout amount per each outcome that would have been won had a wager been placed upon each outcome.

21. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 15, wherein the first display displays a plurality of outcomes, one of which outcomes is the non-linear outcome, and wherein only winning outcomes are displayed on the second display.

22. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 15, wherein the first display displays a plurality of outcomes, one of which outcomes is the non-linear outcome, and wherein winning outcomes are displayed separately from non-winning outcomes on the second display.

23. (Currently Amended) A supplemental display for a slot machine having a first display screen operable to display a non-linear outcome that comprises an outcome displayed along a non-linear payline, comprising:

an interface for communicating with a slot machine; and

a second display screen coupled to the interface,

wherein when ~~[[a]]~~ the first display screen of the slot machine displays ~~[[a]]~~ the non-linear outcome, the non-linear outcome including a set of reel positions disposed along a non-linear payline, and ~~[[a]]~~ the second display screen of the supplemental display is operable to display a representation of the non-linear outcome as a linear outcome, such that the set of reel positions is displayed disposed along a straight line without crossing any other displayed line of reel positions.

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26. (Previously Presented) A supplemental display for a slot machine having a first display screen operable to display a non-linear outcome that comprises an outcome displayed along a non-linear payline, comprising:

an interface for communicating with a slot machine; and

a second display screen coupled to the interface,

wherein when ~~[[a]]~~ the first display screen of the slot machine displays ~~[[a]]~~ the non-linear outcome, the non-linear outcome including a set of reel positions disposed along a non-linear payline, each reel position including at least one symbol, and wherein the non-linear outcome is displayed in a manner such that the non-linear payline thereof crosses at least one other payline, the second display screen of the supplemental display is operable to display a representation of the non-linear outcome as a linear outcome, the linear outcome comprising an outcome displayed along a linear payline,

wherein the linear outcome is displayed on the supplemental display as a set of symbols along a linear payline and the set of symbols of the linear outcome includes at least one symbol from the set of reel positions of the non-linear outcome, and

wherein the representation of the linear outcome on the supplemental display is displayed without the payline thereof crossing any other payline of another set of symbols of any other displayed outcome.

27. (Canceled)

28. (Currently Amended) The supplemental display of claim 26, wherein the first display screen displays a plurality of outcomes, one of which is the non-linear outcome, and wherein the supplemental display further displays an indication of which outcomes are winning outcomes.

29. (Currently Amended) The supplemental display of claim 26, wherein the first display screen displays a plurality of outcomes, one of which is the non-linear outcome, and wherein the supplemental display further displays an indication of which outcomes are non-winning outcomes.

30. (Currently Amended) The supplemental display of claim 26, wherein the first display screen displays a plurality of outcomes, one of which is the non-linear outcome, and wherein the supplemental display further displays an indication of outcomes upon which a wager was placed.

31. (Currently Amended) The supplemental display of claim 26, wherein the first display screen displays a plurality of outcomes, one of which is the non-linear outcome, and wherein the supplemental display further displays an indication of a payout amount per each outcome that would have been won had a wager been placed upon each outcome.

32. (Currently Amended) The supplemental display of claim 26, wherein the first display screen displays a plurality of outcomes, one of which is the non-linear outcome, and wherein the supplemental display only displays winning outcomes.

33. (Currently Amended) The supplemental display of claim 26, wherein the first display screen displays a plurality of outcomes, one of which is the non-linear outcome, and wherein the supplemental display displays winning outcomes separately from non-winning outcomes.

34. (Currently Amended) The supplemental display of claim 26, wherein the first display screen displays a plurality of outcomes, one of which is the non-linear outcome, and wherein the supplemental display displays an explanation why an outcome is a winning outcome or a non-winning outcome.

35. (Previously Presented) An apparatus comprising:
- means for executing instructions;
 - means for displaying a non-linear outcome, the non-linear outcome comprising an outcome displayed along a non-linear payline, the means for displaying the non-linear outcome coupled to the means for executing instructions and wherein the non-linear outcome includes a set of outcome elements;
 - means for displaying a representation of the non-linear outcome as a linear outcome, the linear outcome comprising an outcome displayed along a linear payline and the linear outcome including the set of outcome elements, the means for display the representation of the non-linear outcome as a linear outcome coupled to the means for executing instructions.

36 – 37 (Canceled)